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SUBJECT: FORMER PRESIDENT CARTER'S PRE-DEPARTURE
 AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE OF APRIL 15, 1991

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1. ON APRIL 15 FORMER PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER GAVE AN
 AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS
 THREE DAY VISIT TO CHINA. AMERICAN MEDIA PRESENT
 INCLUDED ABC, AP, CNN, KNIGHT-RIDDER, THE NEW YORK

TIMES, TIME, UPI, VOA, THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, AND
 THE WASHINGTON POST. THIRD COUNTRY MEDIA INCLUDED
 BBC, REUTERS, RADIO AUSTRALIA, AFP, AND KYODO.

2. DURING THE THIRTY-MINUTE PRESS CONFERENCE, FORMER
 PRESIDENT CARTER DISCUSSED HIS VISIT TO DEDICATE A
 PROSTHESIS FACTORY AND HIS MEETINGS WITH CHINESE
 LEADERS. THE THEMES HE STRUCK WERE THE SAME AS THE
 ONES HE RAISED IN HIS APRIL 14 SPEECH AT THE FOREIGN
 AFFAIRS COLLEGE (TEXT TRANSMITTED AS DELIVERED IN
 RE/TEL). THESE THEMES INCLUDED, I. A. A PROPOSAL FOR
 AN AMNESTY FOR NON-VIOLENT PARTICIPANTS IN THE
 PRO-DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT OF 1989. A NEED TO MOVE FORWARD
 IN RESTORING POSITIVE SINO-U.S. TIES, AND A SENSE OF
 PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY TOWARDS THE CHINESE STUDENTS
 IN THE U.S. SINCE THEY WERE THE FRUIT OF HIS
 INITIATIVE TO ESTABLISH EXCHANGES WITH CHINA.

3. SHANGHAI, SHENYANG MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. YATES

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